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CARD INCENTIVE PROGRAM WHEREIN CREDIT CARD HOLDER EARNS REBATE IN FORM OF INSTALLMENT LOAN

ADVANCE PAYMENT THROUGH USE OF CREDIT CARD

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AMENDMENT AND REPLY

This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated January 28, 2002, and is accompanied by a Request for Continued Examination and the required fee. Accordingly, this paper is timely filed on or before April 28, 2002.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as set forth on the following page: